

On duty next week at the 09h00 service (4 November 2018)

Welcome Table : Di Levinsohn & Samantha Petersen (Shola & Sally)
Tea : Sally
Readers : Maseri Seretlo (1st) & Kemello Joyini (2nd)

In Church This week (29 October—4 November)

Monday: AGM (The Avenues) 18h00
Tuesday: Centering Prayer 16h00
NA Weekly Meeting (Outside/Narthex) 19h00
Wednesday: NAC Service (Church) 19h00—21h00
Bible Class (Fr. Mikes Office) 19h45
Thursday: All Souls Service 19h00
Friday : No meetings or services scheduled
Saturday: SDA Service 09h30– 12h30
Bell Ringing 12h45
Bible Class 13h00& 14h00
Debs and Squires cocktail evening 18h00
Sunday: Said Eucharist 07h30
Eucharist & Children's Church 09h00
NAC Service 12h00—14h00

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at
All SAINTS FOURWAYS GARDENS
28 October 2018
30th Sunday of the Year

**We welcome all who are worshipping with us today to our service,
Particularly our newcomers and visitors.
May God bless your encounter with Him.**

COLLECT FOR TODAY

Merciful Lord, you heard the cry of the blind beggar
When others would have silenced him:
Give us courage to be persistent in prayer,
To ask plainly what we need,
And to follow where you lead;
For you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit,
One God, for ever and ever. Amen

Today's Readings

1st Reading : Job 42 : 1-6, 10-17
Psalm : 34 : 1-8 (Pg. 642)
2nd Reading : Hebrews 7 : 23-28
Gospel : Mark 10 : 46-52

Next weeks Readings (4 November 2018)

1st Reading : Ruth 1 : 1-18
Psalm : 146 (Pg. 788)
2nd Reading : Hebrews 9 : 11-14
Gospel : Mark 12 : 28-34



Years Mind: Tony Watchman, Irene Allaman, Audrey Martini, Irene Choba, Harry Gordon, Edn Twidale, Tebogo Monageng, Potoki Isaac Nkwe, LP Direko, Mana Legwale, Paddy Sander, Ossie Stanton, Portia Matoto Maqubela

Prayers of the Church : Renette Johnson, Fr. Gerald Steward, Louisa Snyman; Craig Stacey (cancer), Fr. Mike, Maureen Kear, Graham Taylor; Mariette (Mara) Oosthuizen Kimone & Mark Ingham, Palesa Seretlo, Anne Marumahoko, Maseri Seretlo, Edna Francis, Tshepo Manyaka (broken collarbone— Surgery 27/10/2018)

(Please prayer for our Debs & Squires :

Caleb Bailey, Roarke Bailey, Ntando Ntenza, Kemello Joyini, Shola Adelusi, Tunde Adelusi, Zazi Nelana, Sally Maunye, Lani Maroleni, Tyler Petersen, Senamile Ngubane, Destiny Bunn

Thank you to Heather Mutch for tea after the 07h30 service and to Blessing Ojiadzie for tea after the 09h00 service.



Mums-in-waiting: Shanley Anne King, Alex van Rooyen, Mary Maunya, Truly Sitho, Dominique Madlener

Recent Arrivals: Mila Seller

Please contact Heather (0837897311 / hmaccserv@mweb.co.za) or the Church office for any additions.

NOTICES

- **100 Club Bumper Draw and Party - Friday 9th November 2018.** See enclosed leaflet setting out rules and details of the above. Please read rules carefully
- Our **MEGA DRAW** is back and as always, one person gets the **key to the vault!!!** Ticket price is **R1000** and only 100 ticket are available for sale. Three ways of playing this year; direct deposit into All Saints bank account, SnapScan and cash payment at the door (*Reference: MEGA Name and Surname*). The draw will be held on the **02 December 2018** during the 09h00 service. For more info contact **Danny Mathibe** on **082 909 2020** or danny.mathibe@gmail.com.
- Jumble sale at All Saints Church will be on November 3rd from 7.45 – 10.30am.
- For our annual Cosmo City Christmas Party I'd like offers to make chicken stew instead of soup please. We need it by 1 November (frozen). Just please make sure you mark it chicken stew so we keep it separate. Same applies as with soup. **Our freezers are empty again and we need more soup to last until mid November. Please help.** Many thanks. Di
- Our Debs and Squires will be presented to the Bishop, followed by a Cocktail evening and dancing, on Saturday **3 November 2018**, starting at 6pm. Please join us for a fabulous evening as we celebrate the dedication of our youth, to the Church. Tickets are on sale for R70 each. Any donations towards the evening will also be much appreciated. See the notice board for more details
- Invite your families and friends to MESSY CHURCH on Sunday 11th November from 3-5pm. Come and enjoy a relaxed afternoon of creative learning and engaging discussion around gospel truths (3-4pm). This is followed by worship (4-4:30pm) and a light supper (4:30-5pm). Suitable for ALL ages, including those who don't regularly come to church! Request donation of R30 per person to cover costs. For more information, contact Jean 083234 3371
- **ALL SOULS SERVICE : 1 November at 7pm**—The years mind list is on the noticeboard. Please go through it and if there are names you would like to have added please do so on the list provided or you can email the office.
- Calling all professional or amateur chef's out there with a passion for potjiekos, to showcase their cooking talent by contributing a potjie pot at our Patronal Festival on the 11 November 2018. Should you wish to participate in our own All Saints *MasterChef* kindly contact Keenan on 079 792 9228"

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Unknowing:

Beyond Comprehension

My thoughts are not your thoughts, my ways are not your ways. . . . As high as the heavens are above the earth, so my ways are beyond your ways, and my thoughts are beyond your thoughts. —Isaiah 55:8-9

We cannot comprehend the work of God from beginning to end. —Ecclesiastes 3:11
Within his Judaic tradition, Jesus was formed by the passage above from Isaiah which teaches humility before the mystery of God. When we presume we know fully, we can be very arrogant and goal-oriented. When we know we don't know fully, we are much more concerned about practical, loving behavior. Those who know God are humble about their knowledge of God; those who don't really know God, often speak in platitudes and certainties (about which they are not really certain).

When we speak of God and things transcendent, all we can do is use metaphors, approximations, and pointers. No language is adequate to describe the Holy. As an early portrait of Saint John of the Cross illustrates, we must place a hushing finger over our lips to remind ourselves that God is finally unspeakable and ineffable. Or, like the Jews, we may even refuse to pronounce the name YHWH.

All our words, beliefs, and rituals are merely "fingers pointing to the moon." They are never 100% right or perfect. This is the necessary and good poverty of all spiritual language. Remember, Jesus never said, "You must be right!" or even that it was important to be right. He largely talked about being honest and humble (which is probably our only available form of rightness).

Such admitted poverty in words should keep us humble, curious, and searching for God. Yet the ego doesn't like such uncertainty. So, it's not surprising that the history of the three monotheistic religions, in their first few thousand years, has largely been the proclaiming of absolutes and dogmas. In fact, we usually focus on areas where we can feel a sense of order and control—things like finances, clothing, edifices, roles, offices, and who has the authority. In my experience, I observe that *the people who find God are usually those who are very serious about their quest and their questions*. It is said that asking good questions is a sign of intelligence. But Western culture has spent centuries admiring and promoting people who supposedly have all the answers—which, too often, they have read or heard from someone else.

As Rainer Maria Rilke (1875-1926) wrote in his *Letters to a Young Poet*:

I want to ask you, as clearly as I can, to bear with patience all that is unresolved in your heart, and try to love the questions themselves. . . . For everything must be lived. Live the questions now, perhaps then, someday, you will gradually, without noticing, live into the answer.

Regards,

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